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SILVERTON, Colo. (AP) — San Juan County Commissioners are concerned after scientists and officials from the Environmental Protection Agency proposed Superfund designation for parts of Silverton polluted by mining operations.

Federal regional administrator Martin Hestmark warned that without Superfund designation, there would be no money for long-term cleanup efforts.

The designation would also allow the EPA to further study the Upper Animas mine basin.

According to the Durango Herald (<http://tinyurl.com/kjot5o9>), residents in Silverton are balancing the federal funding that would be available through federal Superfund designation to clean toxic water pollution from old mines with the economic hit the community would take from being branded a Superfund site.

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